

Application No. 10/027,814
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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (CANCELLED)

2. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The oil pan of claim 16 [[1]], wherein the reinforcement channels are substantially U shaped.

3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The oil pan of claim 16 [[1]], wherein the reinforcement channels are V-shaped.

4. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The oil pan of claim 16 [[1]], wherein the second end of the oil pan has an end surface which is substantially planar.

5. (ORIGINAL) The oil pan of claim 4, wherein said end surface has no tool access pockets therein.

6. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The oil pan of claim 16 [[1]], wherein adjacent the second end and intermediate the width of the second end, the oil pan has a region of reduced height, and wherein the region of reduced height having a planar portion into which the at least one reinforcing channel does not extend.